

Remarks

Claims 1-22 remain in the application.

The Examiner rejects claims 1-20 for obviousness-type double patenting over:

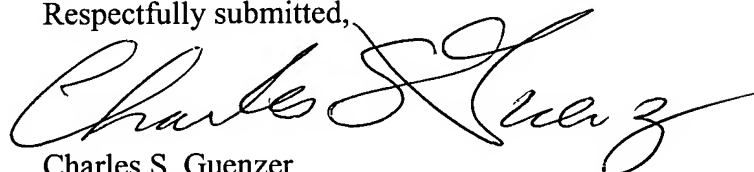
(1) claims 1-21 of U.S. Patent 6,727,191 or (2) claims 1-18 of U.S. Patent 6,455,395 to Boyle et al. Applicants disagree with the rejection. However, in the interest of expediting allowance, a Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith which should obviate the double-patenting rejection.

Claim 1 has been somewhat broadened by deleting the monocrystallinity requirement on the silicon substrate. This limitation has been reinstated in new dependent claim 21. Also, the fixture is now required to be disposed rather than placed in the oven, thereby removing any possible implication that the fixture is required to be moved to the oven, rather than the other way around.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would be helpful, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number, which is on California time.

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